

205—14.1(902) Interviews of inmates serving life terms. The board shall not grant a parole or work release to a Class “A” felon serving a life term unless the governor commutes the sentence to a term of years. Administrative rules relating to the parole and work release consideration of an inmate sentenced to an indeterminate term shall not apply to an inmate sentenced to a life term. The board shall interview a Class “A” felon serving a life term to determine whether to recommend that the governor commute the sentence to a term of years. The board shall recommend that the governor commute the sentence when the board concludes that the inmate should be considered for release on parole or work release. In making such a recommendation, the board shall also indicate the existence of any registered victims and communicate any opinions expressed by those victims regarding release of the inmate.